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THE LIQUOR LICENSES.
On Tuesday the Aldermen Vote to Grant the Usual Number.—The Prohibitory War Ended.

On Tuesday morning the Board of Aldermen met, and after the transaction of the Board of Health business, Alderman Cottrell offered a resolution that liquor licenses be granted to proper applicants. Without debate, the question was put and the resolution adopted by the following vote: Ayer—Aldermen Langley, Crossley and Cottrell; nays—Aldermen Kaulf and DeBlois. This stops the prohibitory agitation that has been the sensation of the day.

The Aldermen yesterday morning held a two hours' session, and granted all the liquor licenses asked for—some 70 in number—except five. When the application of Wm. H. Fearing for the Casino came up, objection was made on the ground that Mr. Fearing is a non-resident, but the City Solicitor decided that Mr. Fearing is a resident within the meaning of the law, and he received a license. Remonstrances were presented against the applications of John Murray, John Carroll, Wm. A. Barker, and George Burkingshaw, and further consideration was postponed till next meeting.

The principal event of the day was the application of Patrick Nolan for a license in the DeBlois Block, Bellvue ave. A remonstrance against the license was presented, signed by John N. A. Griswold, Seth B. Stitt, Geo. T. Downing, Wm. H. Smith, J. Appleby Williams, Mrs. Wm. Sison, and N. Hammond. Another paper was presented, to which the last three remonstrants asked to have their names taken from the remonstrance. This action left the matter in doubt as to whether the remaining remonstrants owned a majority of the land within 200 feet of the place proposed to be licensed. A new survey was ordered, and the matter was laid over until the next meeting of the Board. The remonstrants were represented by Col. Honey, and P. J. Galvin, Esq., ap-peared for Mr. Nolan.

The Sanitary Protection Society.

At the annual meeting of the society on Tuesday, Hon. Samuel Pawl was re-elected President. Other officers elected were: Francis Brinley, vice president; T. G. Ford, treasurer; Dr. H. R. Storer, corresponding and Dr. W. C. Rivers, recording secretary. The former council was re-elected with the addition of Edmund Tweedy. Lieut. Commander E. M. Stedman was appointed inspecting engineer with Mr. Bell. The most startling item of business was the presentation to the society, by Geo. C. Mason in behalf of Mrs. Florence V. Howland, of a young salamander nearly two inches long, taken from milk sold in this city.

The Newport Hospital.

At the annual meeting of the corporation of the Newport Hospital, held at the hospital, July 12th, 1882, the following officers were elected: Geo. A. Richmond, President; J. Truman Burdick, Treasurer; Geo. C. Mason, Secretary; John H. Cozzens and Oliver Read, Auditing Committee; Geo. C. Mason, Wm. P. Shefford and J. Truman Burdick, trustees for three years and Joseph P. Cotton, trustee for two years.

Civil Service Reform.

The annual meeting of the Civil Service Reform Association will be held at the Ocean House, this city, on Wednesday, August 2.

Rev. Chas. W. Wendle will preach at the Channing Memorial Church to-morrow morning; topic, "The Burden of the Desert of the Sea." All are invited.

Oscar Wilde was on a shopping tour down street yesterday morning, and attracted the attention usually bestowed on fellows of the "Buffalo Bill" sort.

The Rev. C. E. Barrows, D. D., of the First Church, and Mrs. Barrows are at the Adirondacks.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Some Plain Statements concerning the Electric Light, supplied by the Weston Electric Lighting Company. The number of gas lights displaced by these lights is 35. At the time the proposition to introduce the electric light was before the tax-payers, the most prominent and enthusiastic advocate of the new light, in a communication printed in the MERCURY, made certain representations concerning the comparative cost of gas and electricity for the parts of the city where it was proposed to place the electric lights. We read in that communication that 1 electric light on Equality Park at a cost of 70 cents a night was to displace 8 gas lights costing 90 cents. Observation shows that there are two electric lights on this park costing \$1 36, and that 8 gas lights costing 40 cents are displaced. Touro Park was to be lighted with 3 electric lights at a cost of \$1 95, displacing 12 gas lights costing \$1 20. An inspection of the park shows that 6 electric lights costing \$1 08, have displaced 6 gas lights costing 60 cents. The communication asserted that the Parade would be illuminated by 3 electric lights at a cost of \$1 95, displacing 13 gas lights costing \$1 30. It appears that 5 lights are in use at a cost of \$3 40, and 9 gas lights costing 90 cents are shut up.

The following table shows the comparison between the two:

Location.	Electric Lights	Gas Lamps
Equality Park	2	+
Washington-sq	5	9
Touro-st	3	4
Bellvue-ave	9	12
Touro Park	6	6
Total	25	35

The 35 gas lights cost at 10 cents each, \$3 50 a night. The 25 electric lights at 98 cents each, \$1 75—an apparent increased expense to the city of \$13 50 a night or \$4927 50 a year.

We thus have a pretty expensive light, but it is brilliant and handsome. Every one speaks in favor of it. Touro Park and the Mall look fairly enchanting under the rays of the electric light. The light is certainly fine. It is all that can be desired in respect to brilliancy and fine effect. The streets and parks are by far better lighted than by gas. But it costs more. The appropriation for street lighting was increased this year from \$16,000 to \$18,000, and it looks as though two or three thousand more will be required before the year is over.

Training Squadron Notes.

The New Hampshire Band still continue to give open air concerts Touro Park every Thursday evening. It is an event looked forward to and appreciated by the thousands of people who congregate to hear the excellent programme discussed by the finest band in the United States service, excepting none. This very excellent band under the leadership of Prof. W. R. McQuown has become very popular, and the Thursday evening concerts are listened to by our best citizens and cottagers.

The U. S. Marine Guard of the Wachetts was brought from Man Island, Cal., by the Jamestown, and were a few days since transferred to the marine barracks at Boston, Mass.

Gunner John R. Granger, U. S. N. attached to the New Hampshire, is ordered to temporary duty at Torpedo Station, Aug. 1. A draft of men are to be sent from the New Hampshire to the Jamestown to take her to Boston to be fitted out as a training ship. She will probably sail to-day or Monday.

Improved City Transit.

Mr. Whittier of Boston was in town yesterday, introducing the Gurney cab, which has been so successfully run by the Boston Herdic Company. These cabs and coaches are manufactured by J. Theodore Gursey of Boston, and for comfort, elegance and convenience are unsurpassed. They are handsomely built, finely finished, and run with ideal smoothness and ease. Benj. J. Burton of the Newport Omnibus Company is making arrangements for introducing them on his city omnibus lines, and they certainly will be a vast convenience to the traveling public.

A Successful Robbery.

About midnight of Thursday a man entered Mrs. Finley's house on William street, and the room of a lady who was sleeping, and succeeded in securing some jewelry, and a pocket-book containing about \$40, when the sleeper awakened and shouted lustily, whereupon the burglar stood not upon the order of his going, but went. He has thus far escaped arrest, though the police are on his track.

On Friday next a large excursion from North Easton, Taunton and towns along the Old Colony road, will come to Newport by rail. It is expected that there will be nearly one thousand persons in the party. On the same day the Canonicus will bring a large party from Fall River.

The new steamer Pilgrim, built at Chester, Pa., for the Old Colony Steamship Company, stuck on the ways Thursday, and could not be fully launched. Mr. Roach hoped to get her off yesterday. She is 40 feet long, with 60 feet breadth of beam.

The Hartford Courant says that the wife of Rev. John C. Kimball was driving on Capitol avenue, Saturday, when an express wagon collided with her carriage, tearing off one wheel. She was thrown out, striking upon the shoulder, and was badly jarred.

John E. Seabury has made a unique and attractive improvement to the house front by placing amber cathedral glass in the upper half of the windows. The effect is very pleasing.

The hay crop on the Island is one of the largest that has been gathered for years. Grain of all kinds is looking well, corn and potatoes bid fair to yield more than an average crop.

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NEWPORT'S BATHING BEACH.

Some Plain Statements concerning the Bathing Beach, Neglected by the City, its Slovenly Management and Insufficient Accommodations—Reform Wanted.

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The best parts of the Beach are leased to the proprietors of the bathing houses, and all the arrangements here are of the most primitive sort. Modern ideas have no resting-place here. There are some bath-houses, and little, tucked-up offices and refreshment rooms. There are no waiting accommodations, no place to escape from the rays of the mid-summer sun, but there is a general lack of everything requisite for the comfort of patrons. Such an article as drinking water is apparently unknown, and the inquirer is courteously told that "there is plenty of water in the ocean." The city has contracted and paid for a fountain near by but thus far it is a dry one.

The condition of affairs at the Beach is highly discreditable to our city, and the time for a decided reform in its management has arrived. Some of the money so unprofitably wasted on doubtful experiments and extravagantly spent for useless purposes should be devoted to the improvement of the Beach. By "improvement," we don't mean a second pavilion like unto the present "magnificent structure" nor the opening of one or two drinking fountains. What is needed is more than that. A spacious building should be erected, capable of sheltering thousands of people if necessary. It should supply all needed accommodations for the comfort of patrons. Other systematic improvements should be made. The management of the bathing houses should be regulated, so that the present system of disreputable and inefficient be replaced by modest courtesy and efficiency. The city should not hesitate to spend ten or twenty thousand dollars on the Beach. It will be money well expended.

Let us place our Beach, in some remote degree at least, on a par with summer resorts where the expenditures of a few dollars is not looked upon as robbery of the tax-payers. The condition of affairs at the Beach is highly discreditable to our city, and the time for a decided reform in its management has arrived. Some of the money so unprofitably wasted on doubtful experiments and extravagantly spent for useless purposes should be devoted to the improvement of the Beach. By "improvement," we don't mean a second pavilion like unto the present "magnificent structure" nor the opening of one or two drinking fountains. What is needed is more than that. A spacious building should be erected, capable of sheltering thousands of people if necessary. It should supply all needed accommodations for the comfort of patrons. Other systematic improvements should be made. The management of the bathing houses should be regulated, so that the present system of disreputable and inefficient be replaced by modest courtesy and efficiency. The city should not hesitate to spend ten or twenty thousand dollars on the Beach. It will be money well expended.

Visitors to Newport care more for the Beach than all the city combined. It is the first and last place visited. Common sense therefore dictates that this should be put in at least presentable condition. Pride and money interests unite in demanding this change of policy. Our Beach with its great natural advantages can be made the very ideal bathing resort of the sea-board. Why not make it such?

A Drowning Accident in the Harbor.

On Monday afternoon Vice Commodore Ainsworth Stokes, of the schooner vessel Clift, his two young sons and two sailors were coming down the harbor in a sailboat with a row boat in tow. When off the training squadron, the row boat became detached, and in turning back for it, the boat jibed over, capsized and, being heavily ballasted sank. A launch was immediately dispatched from the Minot's, and Mr. Stokes, his sons and one sailor were rescued. The other, a German named Frank Hillmer, was lost. He was 23 years old, and shipped on the Clift at New York. The body has not yet been recovered.

The escape of Mr. Stokes' sons from death was very narrow. Captain Cooley, of the Clift, had thoughtfully placed two life preservers in the boat, and Mr. Stokes took them into the hands of his sons, by which they were buoyed up until help came.

Mr. Stokes rewarded the five men in the Minot's launch with the gift of \$600 to be divided among them.

The State Militia Encampment.

The brigade of Rhode Island Militia, General Rhodes commanding, have enjoyed their annual camping out at Camp Burdett, Oaklawn Beach, this week. The soldiers were favored with delightful weather, and the occasion has been profitable for discipline as well as enjoyable as a recreation. Yesterday Governor Littlefield visited the camp, and the other visitors included many prominent citizens of the State. The New- port Light Infantry, Lieutenant Schneider, as Co. B. 2d Battalion, was present in good numbers, and did its part of the soldiering; Capt. Field, U. S. A., Fort Adams, attended the camp as the official representative of the regular army.

Naval Intelligence.

About the first of August the Secretary of the Navy and all heads of Bureau, except Commodore Walker, of the Bureau of Navigation, intend to make a tour of inspection of all the Eastern Navy Yards. The party will be absent a month during which time Commodore Walker will act as Secretary. Newport will probably be included this time.

After the first of August the New Hampshire, Minnesota, Alarm and Intrepid will not be counted as on sea-service, and the pay of the officers and men attached to these vessels will be rated accordingly.

Geo. V. Wilbur has sold for the Coddington Savings Bank of Newport to Sidney J. Coddington of New York City about 40 acres of land on the Wapping Road, South Providence, adjoining the farms of Thomas R. Hazard, Wm. M. Rogers and heirs of the late John S. Barstow and fronting on the east river, for \$700.

Mr. Frederick P. Sands has just purchased in New York a fine sloop-rigged yacht.

THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY.

Synopsis of a Sermon by Rev. H. J. van Dyke, Jr. on Sunday Last.

At the United Congregational church on Sunday morning last, the pastor, the Rev. Henry J. van Dyke, Jr., preached an important sermon on the observance of the Sabbath, basing his remarks on Mark 1:27: "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." The preacher first spoke of the difficulty that attends the discussion of any practical subject; that it is apt to awaken prejudices, both liberal and conservative, and that a man needs a strong, conscientious motive to take up such a question as the observance of Sunday. The text, he said, gives us the fundamental principles in regard to the matter. It condemns the censorious outward way in which the Pharisees observed the Sabbath in the time of Our Lord, but it gives us a deep and broad foundation for the perpetual observance of a religious Sabbath as a duty towards God, ourselves and our fellowmen. The preacher spoke of a primal origin of a Sabbath, and of its necessity for the best physical and spiritual development of man. He dwelt at length on the need of the Sabbath for all men, and pictured the decay of the individual, of the church and of the state that would follow if Sunday were abrogated. He showed that Sunday is the work of the Christian home, of public worship and of civil order. He then pointed out that there is such a sin to day as Sabbath-breaking and that disregard and infraction of the Sabbath sin against God and man, robbing the poor man of his day of rest and robbing all men of that day they need for spiritual refreshment and worship. "He who does anything to destroy the sanctity of the Sabbath is sowing seed that will bear disastrous fruit, is helping to bring the world into hell that knows no Sabbath." The signs of increasing Sabbath desecration are visible on all sides, and it becomes every God-fearing and human man to ask what is his duty in regard to the Sabbath, what shall we do to preserve and use it for the highest welfare of ourselves and our fellowmen. He argued, first, that as good citizens we have a right to demand and uphold such laws as shall best preserve the sanctity of the day. Have we not a right to say to the selfish and reckless purveyors of public amusements, you shall not pour mugs of excusivists into our city, destroying the peace and order of our Sabbath? Have we not a right to decline the cheap imitation of a Continental Sunday, and say that we love and will preserve the peaceful, beautiful Sabbath of our fathers? Ought not the chief magistrate of our city to be supported in his endeavor to execute the laws that we already possess for the protection of the Sabbath? The speaker held, secondly, that every man ought to use his social and personal influence to keep the Sabbath day holy. We ought, he said, to refrain from worldly pleasures and amusements, which even though lawful in themselves might cause others to offend, and if the device by which under the hypocritical name of a "sacred concert," it was sought to increase the revenues of our principal amusement factory, shall this year be renewed, it ought to be understood that respectable and Christian people will not give it the countenance of their names or their presence. The concluding thought of the discourse was, "Yet more important is it that every one should use the Sabbath to supply his own deepest spiritual needs and longings, let the cares, the labors, the rivalries, the pleasures, of the world, fade away, and rest this day in God and Christ."

Two Calls on the Pleasure.

As will be the case with Panama, I have read said Mr. De Lesseps has started on for Egypt. This does not astonish me, even though he is 70 years old—he feels his responsibility as president and managing director of the Suez canal to see that it shall be kept sacred, and its neutrality in no way be disturbed. The concession that he received from the old Khedive, Abd Pasha, stated that it should be open at all times to the ships of all nations without distinction. It is certainly hard that this brave old gentleman should feel obliged to go to Egypt just at this season of the year, but he is the person to illness from what he considers his duty, and I am sure that his influence to re-establish order in Egypt, where it is loyal and respected as the man who gave it, will be great. He will be most powerful for good that the diplomatic talk of all the enemies of Europe, Arabi Bay notwithstanding, applies to the value and importance of the canal to Egypt in its various relations of commerce, finance, and quick transit for Egyptian vessels, and, though he may naturally not be well disposed towards Europeans just now, or rather towards the English, he will certainly do all in his power to protect and save for Egypt and the world what he knows is the most valuable highway and property in his country; for in that case there would be trouble, whereas now ships of war and ships of peace pass through it on equal terms, simply paying the rate per tonnage and so much a head for passengers, without distinction as to who are the nobles or soldiers of either. What it was opened in

Yester.**"To the Sea!"**

A VACATION EXCUSE.
At Athens, on the second day of the great Eumenian festival, the candidates for the greater mysteries assembled, and waited for the well-known word of the prophet Hierophant or mystagogue, as their religious leader was variously called. At the ova, Tu the sea, ye initiates! "Adi mortui," they rose and went down to the shore, where they received baptismal purification, and thence proceeded to the temple of Demeter (the Earth-mother) at Eleusis, to be initiated in the greater or final mysteries of life and death.

"Hence to the sea! soul true and tried,
Plunge in the God's baptismal tide!
Thence to Earth-mother's porch repair,
To learn life's deeper secrets there!"

The prophet speaks; they hear the call,
They rise and leave thy sacred wall,
They hove and hauls of sweet renown
Queen City of the Violet crown.

Onward with heart-kept rows they creep
Round the gray, olive-shaded steep,
Through ways that beckon loyally
Down to the old Aegean's fabled sea;

That sea that abides and shaketh afar,
Island with many an island star,
Poseidon's bright, rock-jeweled band
Claspeth his loved, lost Attic land.

"Hence to the sea!" that cry once more
Comes, organ-voiced, from surf and shore,
Comes through the hum and hurrying feet,
The toll and tumult of the street.

From each dull brick I learn the call
Flashed us from old Belshazzar's wall;
Market and church and street and store
Echo the mandate,—To the shore!

With Care's sharp thorn-wreath daily crowned—

Our way-girt city bears the sound,
And stoops her tow-lined diadem
To kiss the Atlantic's royal hem,

And take new strength from him who erst
With his waves rocked her, swathed and nuzzled,

Who now with blue, large, wondering eye
Hails her, his Venus, thronged on high.

"Hence to the sea!" the summons came
O'er fields about, down skies of flame;

I heard and fondly turned to these,
O gentle, glad, all-gathering Sea!

I saw the spray but yesterday,
As though for Venus newly born,

A couch of satin soft and blue,

O'er which the sun-blown diaphanous flew.

To-day how changed! the loud winds rise,

The storm her sounding shuttle plies,

Weaves a white water-about beneath,

And all the sea-marge answers, "Death!"

Through sheeted spray what sights appear!

Swells one long monotone of pain,

As o'er some city's rabble yell

Toleth a great cathedral bell.

Is this the deep-sea peace I sought?

Calm days by holy shores of thought,

Aim, that night Hope's own clarion still

With tones divine of "Peace, be still."

And yet to me these tides that flow

Are but as clouds o'er world below,

Worlds which look up to skies, as we

Look to our heaven's o'erhanging sea.

Not on that sea floor, but beneath

Its snowy shroud and funeral wreath

Peace dwells, What kingdom calm and fair

And changeless greet my gnomes there!

teeds of the New that is to be

Sleep in the ooze of you gray sea;

Life, love, all sweet and speechless things

To crown the heart's imaginings,—

Rich hills, green-skirted, forest-sown,

Cliffs on which slumberous powers are throned,

High, pillar'd shades, with splendor laced,

By ruthless woodman unpruned;

Closet-lit lights, cool shadowing,

And murmur of all pleasant things.

Fountains that thine their ears

In liquid lapse down crystal stairs;

Glades which a tender twilight fling

Like the green mist of groves in spring;

Blameless white sands, and seas of pearl,

Where young-eyed Dreams their sails unfur;

Doors opening from afar with tone

Of mystic flutes in musings lone,

Low chimes thrill through diritul seas,

Old harp-notes, half heard prophecies;

Pale temples reiled in sapphire gloom,

Where the great ghosts of glorious doom

In trumpet list, till heaven-born Fate

Shall ope her site's tremendous gate;

Caves where the gentle, gracious Hours,

Who bring all good things, weave strange

flowers,

And faint Hopes wait in Letho grot,

Brow-bound with fresh forget-me-nots;

Genii, low dwellers of the glen,

And souls forlorn that shall be men,

Mute lips that once have kissed the wrong,

Which Time shall purge and light with song;

Strong angels, waiting for the day

When they shall shoulder seas away

And show to God new blessed hills

Starred with wavy daffodils;

When Earth, with bridal morning strown,

Like a pure goddess grandly born,

Shall, re-baptized and born again,

Rise from her centaurian trance of pain.

Thus in the heart, O Deep, are stored

Kings' treasure-chambers, unexplored;

They terrify, tumults, fears are found

But on thy surface, in thy sound.

"Hence to the sea!" I heard that call,

And left the world's loud pulse-wall

To find thee, O thou vast Unknown,

By shores of mystery and of mean.

Yet, nameless Dread, that seem'st but so,

Calm are thy depths of peace below;

Dark or bright, O Spirit sea,

Why should I fear to sink in thee?

H. Bernard Carpenter, in Boston Advertiser.

Selected Tale.**JUNE ROSES.**

BY CECIL EARLE.

Madge Clifford stood listlessly by the garden gate, looking idly down the street. An open book was in her hand, but she had not read more than three sentences.

"Good morning, Madge," said a pleasant voice at her side. "You look lonesome. May I ask the cause?"

Madge turned and saw Mr. Gordon, the minister.

She held out her hand, and said frankly, "I am lonesome, Mr. Gordon. Every one of the girls have gone off

to the sea-shore, or mountains, or somewhere else. I had my mind all made up to go to the sea-shore with the Fieldings, but father said he couldn't afford it. So here I am in this dull place with no one to speak to and nothing to do."

Mr. Gordon laughed at the recital of her troubles, then looked grave as he said, "Can this be the same girl that was telling me only a few weeks ago that her home was the pleasantest spot on earth, and that she didn't see how any one could be lonesome or homesick in this pleasant village?"

Madge laughed. "That doesn't seem very consistent, I'll admit. But I'm lonesome all the same."

"Why, Madge, I don't see how you can be so lonesome in this beautiful place. Just look at those lovely roses! May I have one for my button hole?" And he gathered one as he spoke.

"Certainly," she replied; gathering a bunch and handing them to him said, "Please take these with my compliments to Mrs. Gordon."

"Thank you, Miss Clifford, she will be pleased with them, for she is very fond of roses; they are her favorite flowers."

Just then a very small boy came down the street, and seeing the roses went up to the fence. "How pity they be. Dear I'll take some home to sister." He put his little hand through the fence, and was about to break them off, when Madge, who had been watching him, exclaimed:

"Stop, you little thief! Don't you dare touch one of my roses."

"I ain't a thief," said the little fellow indignantly. "I only want a pity rose for sister."

"You shan't have one. And if you ever try to steal my roses again, I'll tell father and he'll whip you," said Madge severely.

The little fellow looked frightened and just ready to cry as he went down the street.

When he had gone there was silence for a few minutes, when Mr. Gordon spoke.

"Do you think you did just right, Madge, in being so severe with the boy? He didn't really intend to steal."

"It looked very much like it."

"I know it, but I think he thought they were any one's who cared for them."

"Why didn't he say so then?"

"You frightened him so that he didn't dare to. He and his sister Susie are orphans. They live with their aunt, who is very poor. Susie has been an invalid for two years. Probably a bouquet of your roses and a visit from you would do her more good than all the doctor's medicine. She is very lonely sometimes."

Mr. Gordon walked away leaving Madge in a worse state of mind than he found her.

Madge was the only child of Mr. Clifford. Having lost her mother in infancy, she had been allowed to grow up without any restraint whatever. Her father indulged every childish whim that was in his power. The wonder was that now fifteen she was not entirely spoiled. It had cost him a heavy pain to tell her that he could not afford to send her to the sea-shore for the summer. She bore the disappointment better than he expected; for she had only said, "Never mind, father, I shall only be a little lonesome, so don't feel badly about it."

With her own hands she had planted and cared for the rose bushes that attracted so much attention, now that they were in bloom. This was the first time they had blossomed, and she was very proud of them, as she well might be; for they made a very fine appearance. There were white, yellow and pink roses of all shades and kinds, from the large doubles to the tiny moss rosebed.

She saw very plainly that Mr. Gordon thought she ought to carry a bouquet of her pretty roses to Susie Miller, and let them wither and fade in that hot, close room.

"Yes, I'll do it," she said at last. So she arranged a handsome bouquet and carried it to Susie.

How Susie's pale face brightened up when Madge entered the room with the bouquet.

"See, Susie," she said, "I've brought you some roses. Where shall I put them?"

"Oh thank you! Miss Clifford," said Susie. "Put them in this tumbler by my bed so I can see them all the time. Where did you get such pretty roses?"

"At home, I've got lots and lots of them."

"Oh how nice! They are the first ones I've seen this year."

After a little more talking Madge took her leave, promising to come again the next day, and bring another bouquet, and a book to read to Susie.

Photographing the 11,000 Virgins.

At Cologne, John L. Stoddard and his photographer, Mr. Black, visited the church containing, among other relics, the bones of 11,000 virgins. Mr. Stoddard was determined to have photographs made of the saintly skulls and bones, and secured the sacristan's permission by a goodly fee. Unfortunately, however, as the church is dimly lighted, a long exposure of the photographic plate was necessary, and the sacristan's agony of mind lest some superior should enter and discover his lax conduct, together with his frantic efforts to show the relics to a number of English tourists without placing himself or the travelers before the camera and the virgins' ghastly relics, fairly convulsed both lecturer and photographer.

"Good morning, Madge," said a pleasant voice at her side. "You look lonesome. May I ask the cause?"

Madge turned and saw Mr. Gordon, the minister.

She held out her hand, and said frankly, "I am lonesome, Mr. Gordon. Every one of the girls have gone off

or her at the door and invited her in. Madge declined, but when she said, "Jimmie said he wanted to see the Fieldings, but father said he couldn't afford it. So here I am in this dull place with no one to speak to and nothing to do."

Susie and Jimmie were not the only ones that were cheered by Madge's roses; she was now thoroughly aroused and went to work with enthusiasm. She gathered and arranged bouquets and carried them to many nice people. In cheering, brightening their lonely lives, she found herself cheered and brightened.

One morning as she was passing a house, with her basket of roses, a little girl ran to her and asked:

"Will you please give me a few roses for baby May? She is sick and the doctor says she can't live, but I know if she can only have some flowers she will get well; for she keeps asking for them all the time, and we haven't any."

Madge gave her a bouquet and promised to bring another the next day.

The next morning she was met at the door by the same little girl. The swollen eyes and tear-stained face of that baby May had gone to the land where she would be sick no more, and where flowers were abundant.

"Come and see her," said the little girl, leading the way to the darkened room where the dead child lay.

Madge silently followed, and looked upon the quiet face of the little sleeper. Very pretty she looked in her white robe, with the roses Madge had given her in her hands.

"She was so pleased with the roses," said the little girl, "that she held them in her hand all the time, and died still holding them. Dear little May, why did you die? Now I have no sister," said the girl kissing the cold cheek of her dead sister.

"I will bring a wreath for the coffin in the morning," said Madge as she left the house.

So some of Madge's cherished white roses went into a wreath for baby May's coffin.

"Do you think you did just right, Madge, in being so severe with the boy

Poetry.**Mercury.**"To the
Editor and ProprietorAt Athens, on My, JULY 15, 1882.
A VARIOUS Editor and Proprietorgreater mystery of death from heat
in the well-known on Tuesday, and the therm-
ometer was at recorded 94° in the shade.the the Treasury Department very sens-
ibly doubts the practicability of a two
per cent. loan, and has abandoned the
proposition. The country is not yet
ready for investments at two per cent.Two Kentucky editors fought a duel
the other day, and one of them was
shot in the foot. A school for instruc-
tion in dueling, with free lessons for
editors, should be established down
South by some noble hearted citizen.Engineer Melville of the Joannette
survivors has been granted leave to
return home from Siberia with Noroe
and Niiderman. His noble services in
so resolutely and skillfully searching
for his comrades deserve eminent re-
cognition.Mr. Ivanian, the famous oarsman,
has recovered his health and his confi-
dence in his own power. He accom-
plishing makes the unique offer, to row
any five men in the world, within 48
hours of each other, on any suitable
course on the continent.Rocco Conkling, in a speech at
Utica the other evening, remarked
that old party issues had passed away,
and that the need and admittance of
the hour in public and private matters
is frugality, foresight and care. This
is common-sense statesmanship.The ministers now and then dabble
in politics, but seldom get on the win-
ning side. The latest to be defeated
candidate is the Rev. Roswell Foote,
the Congregational minister at Inde-
pendence, Iowa, who has been nomi-
nated by the Greenbackers of the
Third Congressional District.Joseph Dane, of Keanebunk, who
is President of a national bank, heads
the Greenback Democratic ticket in
Maine. Isn't this the party that has
been so vigorously and persistently de-
nouncing national banks as monop-
olies and those managing them as mon-
opolists of the most shameless ilk?There has been a queer strike in the
State prison at Concord, Mass. The
convicts rebelled because they were
not given a holiday on the "Glorious
Fourth." They were kept on a bread
and water diet for several days, and
finally succumbed. Even convicts
have some patriotism left, and want
to observe the anniversary of the free-
dom of the country whose laws they
have ruthlessly transgressed.

Sunday Concerts.

Every law abiding person in this
city will approve of the remarks of
the Rev. Mr. van Dyke on Sunday
last, in regard to the observance of
the Sabbath. It has long been to the
credit of New England in general
and Newport in particular, that the
Sabbath was here more generally re-
spected and observed, than it was in
any other part of the Union; that here,
the German beer gardens and
Sunday concerts so familiar in most of
the western towns and cities, were
not allowed to thrive, and that Sunday
excursions were a thing of very rare
occurrence. But now, unfortunately,
as far as Newport is concerned, all
this is changing. A few years ago
the vigorous opposition of our citizens
compelled the American Steamboat
Company to stop running its boats
to Newport on Sundays; now the
Continental Steamboat Company runs
several boats to Newport every Sun-
day, bringing its hundreds to overrun
our streets and patronize our dram
shops. "Our principal amusement
factory" also takes a hand in
the Sabbath desecration by running
its Sunday concerts at the
casino. If now some enterprising
German will open a beer garden, New-
port can then boast of all the modern
Sunday improvements of Cincinnati,
Chicago or any other model western
Sabbath-breaking city.This increasing non-observance of
the Sabbath in this city, and the open
violation of the Sunday laws by those
in high places, will work only harm to
the best interests of our city and
people. The Casino governors have
no mere right to open their doors for
concert on Sunday, whether denomi-
nated sacred or profane, than has any
theatre company to give entertain-
ments in the Opera House. As far as
the law is concerned there is no differ-
ence between the Casino concert and
a minstrel show, and they should be
dealt with alike. If the governors for
the sake of a few dollars income pro-
pose to violate all laws against Sunday
employment, and disregard an observ-
ance held sacred by our fathers, then
it is time that the city authorities took
a hand in the matter and closed the
concern by law.The bill to extend the national bank
charter, as passed by Congress, stip-
ulates that the banks, by amending
their articles of association to conform
to the new law, may by a two-thirds
vote of the stockholders, extend their
charter for not more than 20 years.
Any dissenting shareholder is entitled
to receive the value of his shares, and
in case the amount awarded is not
satisfactory to him he can appeal to
the comptroller of the currency. Na-
tional banks having a capital of \$150,-
000 or less will not be required to keep
more than one-fourth of said capital
in bonds on deposit with the United
States treasurer.

The Bombardment of Alexandria.

Admiral Seymour, of the British
fleet before Alexandria, demanded on
Sunday the surrender of the forts at
the city. Arab Bey refused all over-
tures, and the bombardment of the
city began at 7 o'clock Tuesday morn-
ing, and practically ceased about noon,
although gun crews continued the at-
tack until 9:00 p. m. Fire upon the
fortifications was opened by the Alex-
andria, Sultan and Superb, and after
twenty minutes cannonade two forts
stopped firing. The strong position
of Fort Mex was attacked with de-
structive effect, and a party of mar-
ines entered it and blew up the heavy
guns. Five gun vessels stormed the
Marabout batteries and soon silenced
them. Fort Phœnix and the lighthouse
batteries are totally destroyed, and a
part of the Ras-el-Tin Palace is in
ruins. At 6 o'clock that night Lord
Northbrook read a telegram in the
House of Lords stating that all the
forts had been silenced except one or
two inside the harbor. Turkey has
refused to send any troops to Egypt,
by order of Admiral Seymour, the
English consul at Port Said has stopped
all vessels from entering the Suez
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A Famous Russian Dead.

General Skobeleff, the famous Rus-
sian general and statesman, is dead.
His death was sudden, and is officially
attributed to heart disease. The popular belief in Russia is that he was
poisoned by Russians, but there is no
ground for this suspicion. Skobeleff,
though young, had attained great
eminence. He was a brave and skillful
general, and as well as a polished
scholar and keen statesman. He had
an intense love of country and believed
that the safety of Russia depended
on the supremacy of the native or
Slavonic element. His bitter speeches
against the Germans showed his hatred
of the Teutonic races. His growing
popularity among all classes of Rus-
sians threatened serious consequences;
The Czar feared to offend him, lest he
should be driven into the Nihilist or
revolutionary party. As their leader
he would have proved invincible. His
untimely death removes the most brill-
iant figure of the Russian court, but
the Czar no doubt accepts with entire
resignation this dispensation of Providence.A Moscow (Russia) dispatch tells of
the most appalling railroad disaster
ever reported, in which one hundred
and seventy-eight persons were killed
and thirty-eight others injured.The New York greenbackers talk
of running S. S. Cox for Governor.
He won't do. He would be too lively
a candidate for that existing organiza-
tion.The New-York Evening Post
is the name of a new magazine published
by James N. Arnold, of Hamilton, N. J., and
devoted to the historical interests of the
Narragansett country. The magazine con-
tains some eighty pages of choice reading
matter, which must be of great interest
to the student of history, and especially interesting
to those concerned in the history of
that region. The book is handsomely printed
at E. L. Freeman & Co., State printers.Moses E. P. Dutson & Co. of New York
have lately published a history of St. George's
church, of the town of Hempstead, L. I., by
the rector, Rev. Wm. Moore, son of the late
W. M. Moore, formerly of Newport, R. I. It
is a work full of interest, giving a history of
the church from its foundation in 1701 to the
present time. Rev. Mr. Moore became
rector of the church in 1848. The author has
presented a copy of this book to the Labrador
Library.Moore's "Universal Assistant and Comptroller
Mechanic," is a book of over one thousand
pages, filled with information of great im-
portance to every class of occupation. It is
a most regular condensed universal En-
cyclopaedia containing processes, rules, etc.,
in over 300 different trades and occupations
with tables for all possible calculations. This
valuable book is for sale by James H. Way-
land, sole agent for Newport.The steamer Waverly, from which
Captain Britton saved my life. For ten years I
had been writing for the Liverpool Com-
mercial and Agricultural Journal, and my
articles were read in all parts of the world, but
not hearing of your paper at all, I well recommended
I gave them a trial. Six months later
I went to Smith's, Wm. W. Waverly, Justice.Gen. Robert Tuomie, of Georgia,
announces his purpose to write a let-
ter strongly favoring Alexander B.
Stephens as the Democratic candi-
date for Governor.

Various Places.

In the dental ranks will never occur if you
are particular with your teeth, and clean
them every day that summer teeth
will be strong. From youth to old age
we are liable to decay, but the teeth of
men who smoke tobacco are more
likely to decay than those of non-smokers.The Wabash crew, who were rulers
out by English nymphs from contests
with amateurs, apparently on the
ground that they were formidable,
have been justifying the apprehension
by winning victories over profes-
sionals.

THE SECRET OUT AT LAST.

It has long been a source of wonder, as to
why Courtney failed to meet Banau in a
swimming contest. The general explanatory
argument was, that he forced the little Can-
adian. This opinion, however, is exploded
by the authentic announcement, that on the
days fixed for the race, Courtney was unable
to swim in his shell, on account of the intense
heat and soreness caused by the Miles.Dr. Bellows, while living, was
thought to be in good circumstances;
but an examination into his affairs
after his death proved that such was
not the case. His former parishioners,
on learning this fact, raised for his
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cures all diseases of the liver, stomach
and bowels. By druggists.Mrs. Burdette, wife of the humor-
ist, who is summering with her hus-
band in West Goshen, Chester coun-
ty, Pa., has so far improved that she
is able to take short walks.When a medicine performs such cures
as Ridderick does constantly doing, it may
be said to be a good one. Ridderick
is a carpenter in Montgomery, Vt., and suffered
for eight years from the worst of kidney
diseases, and had been wholly incapacitated
for work. He says, "One boy made a new
man out of me, and I now believe that
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NEWPORT COUNTY NEWS.

MIDDLETOWN.

SCHOOL CELEBRATION.—The school in district No. 1 closed last week under favorable auspices, having been in session for ten weeks. The services of instructor have been performed by the former teacher, Miss Alice C. Earle. The total number of pupils registered was twenty-nine and the average daily attendance, twenty-three. Among the pupils the following scholars refrained from whispering without leave during the entire term. Soho Albro, Nellie Borden, Hattie Brown, Evelyn Brigham, Frances Brigham, Lizzie Peabody, Esther Smith, Ethel Wyatt, Mary Smith, Clarence Peabody and Herbert Smith. Superior scholarship in spelling entitled Hattie Brown and Herbert Smith each, to a prize, while rewards were given to Sadie Albro, Hattie Brown, Emma Hazard, Little Manchester and Herbert Smith for not having been either tardy or absent during the term. Friday, the 7th last, was spent by the children in Southwick's Grove. Their enjoyment of the day was fully evinced by the zest with which they engaged in various amusements as well as by their gay laughter and conversation.

The crowning event of the occasion however was the dinner served under the trees and it was soon shown how quickly healthful appetites would appropriate the bountiful supply of provisions.

PORTSMOUTH.

COURT OF PROBATE.—At the regular session on Monday, all the numbers were present.

The account of Israel H. Orswell, guardian of Jacob Heely, was continued to the 2d Monday in August. The 3d account of the executor of the estate of the late Gardner Thomas was allowed and ordered recorded. The petition for the discharge of guardian of Adeline Heely was continued to the 2d Monday in August.

In Town Council, the following orders were granted: the Overseer of the Poor: for assistance to Richmond W. Dennis, \$25; for assistance to Jethro J. Coggeshall, \$24.

An order was granted the Board of State Charities for board, clothing, &c., for Perry Croucher, Harriet Cook and Susan A. Brownell, 3 months to June 30, 1882, \$113 80. An order for \$40 28 was granted Wm. H. Negus, the same being the town's portion for repairs on Stone Bridge, the last year. It was voted to purchase the "Pennocks Road Scaper" now in the possession of Asa B. Anthony for trial; and an order for \$163 was granted Asa B. Anthony to pay for said scaper and freight. Philip B. Chase was appointed a committee to examine the court records in relation to the road across Ferry Neck. An order for \$2 50 was granted Henry Anthony for town council fees this day.

JAMESTOWN.

ACCIDENTAL DROWNING.—Found on the west shore of Fox Hill Farm, Conanicut Island, the body of a man apparently about 25 or 30 years old, dressed in navy blue pants, white undershirt and drawers and blue shirt, an anchor in India ink on his right arm, height 5 feet 10 inches, hair dark. An inquest was held over the remains. Verdict, accidental drowning.

A SCHOONER SUNK.—Schooner Blackstone, Perly Amboy for New Bedford, sank in Dutch Island harbor Tuesday afternoon. She had previously sprung a leak off Point Judith.

BLOCK ISLAND.

FISHING.—Bluefish has seldom been better here for hand fishermen. Good catches have been made daily for more than a week. On Saturday every boat was successful, some bringing in an average of more than twenty fish to each man.

ASPHODEL.—The small sloop Maud, of New Bedford, came ashore on the island at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening. Her sails were blown away and the boat leaked badly. Captain Soden and Sam Carter, the two men aboard, escaped to the shore. The boat is a total loss.

TIVERTON.

HOME FROM ALASKA.—Capt. Angles Snell, who has been to Alaska for the past four months in the employ of the North West Trading Company, making examinations as to the fishing grounds of that locality, has returned home on account of ill health. He reports large quantities of herring in that district. He thinks there is a good chance for the fishing business there.

LITTLE COMPTON.

SHORT NOTES.—The M. E. church and society have decided to hold their annual clambake on Wednesday, Aug. 16th.

Miss Lizzie N. Wilbour went into the barn a few days since, and as she was ascending the stairs she was met by a large black snake, nearly six feet in length. The young lady, nothing daunted, took a bar of iron and crushed his head to atoms.

NEW ENGLAND ITEMS.

RHODE ISLAND.—At a special meeting of the Providence board of trade, the Hon. William Sprague was recommended for admission to the board, and considerable feeling being manifested, ex-Gov. Lippitt moved that action upon Mr. Sprague's name be deferred until the first Tuesday in September, on the ground that the attendance at the meeting, 60 members, was too small to make the vote representative. This motion, amended to read the first Tuesday in October, prevailed.

In Providence on Wednesday there were two serious accidents resulting from children falling from windows. Arthur Bates, two and a half years old, fell from the second story of his father's house and was fatally hurt. Hugh Creath, a five-year-old boy, fell from a window in the upper story of his mother's house, on King Street, sustaining serious but probably not fatal injuries.

A middle-aged man seated himself upon the Methodist church steps at East Greenwich, Saturday night, and, drawing a revolver said, "Here is the last of old Ira Fletcher." As he said this he placed the pistol to his left breast and fired. He died in twenty minutes. He was about sixty years of age, and is supposed to have been a carpenter from Maine.

The mystery of the suicide has been cleared. Ira Fletcher, self-exiled from his native village in Maine by reason of disappointment in love, roamed the earth for forty years, and then yearned for a sight of his home. He was received as one from the dead. But all about him was changed and the intimate friends of his youth were dead. The thought saddened him and he brooded over it. A family gathering was in preparation in his honor, when, on Friday morning, he left his friends and fled, apparently indifferent whither. On the evening of the next day, as the shadows were gathering, he ended his troubles, a stranger in a strange place, by destroying the life from which all pleasure had gone.

On June 1st there were 158 boys and 19 girls in the Rhode Island reform school, a total of 177. During the month of June, 15 boys and two girls were released, and 16 boys and two girls discharged, leaving the number in the school precisely the same on July 1st as it was the month previous. This is the third consecutive month that the number committed and discharged during the month have been the same, thus not changing the total at the close of the month.

Harry Walsh, a lad of 14 years, employed at the jewelry establishment of MacKinley, Smith & Co., 54 Congress Street, Providence, met with a frightful death Monday. His head was caught between an ascending elevator and the flooring, and shockingly crushed, and he fell from the fourth floor to the bottom of the elevator well, death resulting instantly.

The Light-house Board announces that a fog-bell, struck by machinery, has been established at Warwick Light-station, at south extremity of Warwick Neck. This bell will be sounded during thick or foggy weather, giving one blow every 20 seconds.

The lands of the Indian Reservation in Charlestown, which was recently purchased by the State, were sold Tuesday, with the exception of Fort Neck, being disposed of for from 30 cents to \$2 an acre.

The Rhode Island Historical Society has elected William Gammon, Esq., President, and adopted a memorial relative to the death of Judge Ellisha R. Potter.

The wife of Reuben Alexander, of East Greenwich, is suffering from lock-jaw, caused by a wound received while handling a toy pistol on the Fourth of July.

The body of Frank Gladding, the missing insane bank clerk of Providence, was found floating in Long Island sound, Saturday.

A Wickford correspondent of the East Greenwich "Pondianum" says that town is "overrun with boarders and babies."

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Central Congregational Society of Fall River has extended a call to Rev. Elbridge Mix, D. D., of Brooklyn.

Mary Clinton, a married woman, died in a police station cell in Fall River, Sunday morning. She was suffering with delirium tremens when locked up.

Lewis Allen, four and a half years of age, son of Noah Allen, of Fall River, received probably fatal injuries by the accidental discharge of a pistol with which he and a companion were playing Sunday afternoon. One more added to the list.

Alfred Hawthorne, one of the crew of the schooner yacht Tarantula, was drowned off Palmer's Island on Saturday. He fell overboard from the bow, and sank from sight. He hailed from Cushing, Mass., and was 23 years old.

CONNECTICUT.

It cost altogether about \$80,000 to convince a jury that the Malleys and Blanche Douglass were not guilty of the death of Jennie Cramer, of which the State of Connecticut will have to pay about one-third. The Haydon trial cost the State three times as much, and the result was less satisfactory.

MAINE.

The Sprague property in Augusta is advertised to be sold on Thursday, Aug. 8, at twelve o'clock noon, by public auction, to the highest bidder.

The Sprague Affairs.

Justice Stiness of the Supreme Court has rendered an opinion in the Wilbour, Jackson & Co. contempt case, which shows a disagreement of the court as to the enforcement of the penalty agreed upon.

That portion of the Sprague trust estate situated on the corner of Pine and Page streets, Providence, has been sold at auction for \$25 per square foot. The property is claimed to be worth more than \$6 per foot as an investment.

The Nauck Mills were sold at auction on Thursday to the new syndicate known as the Union Co. for \$221,000. The last assessors' valuation of the property was \$624,456.

A new bill in equity was filed against the trustee of the Sprague estate this week. It was brought by a number of creditors, including the New England Commercial and National Exchange Banks, of Newport, which hold \$5000 each of the Sprague paper. The bill sought to set aside the sales already made by the trustee and enjoin others, and alleged fraud and co-operation between the trustee and the new syndicate that is buying up the property. The court on Wednesday, after hearing witnesses and arguments, occupying more than five hours, refused to grant the temporary injunction asked for, and the bill is set aside.

Dr. Charles Henry Crane, the newly-appointed Surgeon General of the United States Army, is a native of Rhode Island, and is about 67 years old. He was graduated at Yale College in 1811, and was graduated as M. D. at the Medical School of Harvard University in 1817, and was appointed from Massachusetts as Assistant Surgeon in the Army on February 14, 1818. On March 13, 1805, he received the brevet rank of Brigadier General, and on July 23, 1860, he was appointed Assistant Surgeon General with the rank of Colonel. Dr. Crane is admirably qualified to fill the new position to which he has been assigned.

By a large majority the Senate has incorporated in the River and Harbor Bill the amendment appropriating \$600,000 toward the improvement of the Washington and Georgetown Harbor and the reclamation of the Potomac flats.

Newport, R. I., July 11, 1882.

One Hundred and Twenty-third Dividend.

Savings Bank of Newport.

Newport, R. I., July 10, 1882.

THE TRUSTEES of this institution have declared a semi-annual dividend on all deposits by the rates entitling them to 5 per cent. per annum, from and after this date.

W. H. SILVERMAN, Treasurer.

Newport, R. I., July 11, 1882.

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New Advertisements.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, NEWPORT, R. I.

May 3, 1882.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sale will be made out of the Supreme Court of this State, with and for the county of Newport, on the 3d day of May, A. D. 1882, and returning on the 10th September term of said court, A. D. 1882, all the land and real estate in the said court, and all rights, title and interest in the same, belonging to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and bounded:

NORTHERNLY, on Wellington avenue, there measuring three hundred and eighty-three feet front, and extending back one hundred and thirty-four feet, and containing about forty (40) feet wide;

SOUTHERLY, on a street forty (40) feet wide, containing about eight (8) acres and seventeen (17) rods, or one thousand (1,000) mrs. of land;

AND NOTICE is hereby given that I will sell the said attached estate at a public auction to be held at the Clerk's Office, in the State House, in State Street, on Monday, the 7th day of August, A. D. 1882, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the satisfaction of said execution, debt, interest on the same, costs of suit, my own fees and all contingent expenses, if any.

WILLIAM D. LAKE, Deputy Sheriff.

Newport, R. I., July 11, 1882.

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The Island Savings Bank.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND, at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, will be paid to depositors entitled thereto on the 1st day of April, A. D. 1882, and returning on the 1st day of September term of said court, A. D. 1882, all the land and real estate in the said court, and all rights, title and interest in the same, belonging to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and bounded:

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For Sale.

By GEO. VAN WILBUR, Agent.

The Farm on Jamestown

—KNOWN AS THE—

“Tew Farm,”

—SITUATED ON THE—

EAST SHORE

—ABOUT—

2½ MILES FROM FERRY,

—WITH ABOUT—

32 Acres of Good Productive Land.

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WILLIAM D. LAKE, Deputy Sheriff.

Newport, R. I., July 11, 1882.

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Executor's Sale of Furniture at Auction.

On Wednesday, July 19, commencing at 10 o'clock, at the house corner of Church and School streets.

WILL BE SOLD, the effects of the late W. Photo, 1. Party, consisting of Pastor

of Unit. Methodist, Mrs. Photo, 2. Party, consisting of Pastor

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